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BLACK CERAMIC SINTER WITH LOW THERMAL

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a.

□ Previously submitted

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

SIR:

This is a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified patent application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

	i. □ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on
	
	(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
	ii. □ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
	iii. 🗆 Other
b. 🗷 E	Enclosed

i. □ Amendment/Reply

- ii. □Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.

 Other.

2. Miscellaneous

- a. E Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of three months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).
- b.

 Other.

3. Fees

- a. E The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-0600:
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R §1.17(e) (\$790.00)
 - ii. \square Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Suspension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) (\$130.00)
- iv. Any deficiency of fee due or any other required fee due in connection with this Request For Continued Examination or in connection with the continued examination of the above-identified patent application.

A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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